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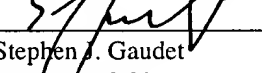
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	and Encapsulating ...)		
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REPLY

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated November 6, 2003, Applicant files the following. Applicant requests a three (3) month extension of time. Accordingly,

Applicant has included a check in the amount of \$475.00. Applicant has opted to file a continuation application in lieu of responding to said Office Action.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (617) 854-4237 should he determine that a telephonic interview would expedite prosecution of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. J. Gaudet', written over a horizontal line.

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